



VISITING NURSE ASSN. AID'S ELDERLY PATIENT . . .
Mrs. Cynthia Cash (left), age 84, of San Pedro, is one of more than 5000 harbor area residents served this year by the Visiting Nurse Assn. of Los Angeles, a Community Chest agency. Mrs. Cash, who has been an amputee since childhood, has been rendered part-time professional nursing care since August by VNA, which helped her get a specially fitted wheel chair. Here, Mrs. Cash, who despite her handicap, lives alone and does her own housework, opens the door for Visiting Nurse Mrs. Mary Fisher. Local VNA office, in Torrance, serves harbor area residents, who are under physicians' supervision and need home nursing care.

Deck the Yard with Boughs Of Gay Red Holly Berries

Long a favorite of men—from the time of the Romans to the present—the Holly (Ilex) crowns the end of the year with bright berries of red and gleaming green foliage.

Holly was used by the Romans in their celebration of the end of dark days and the gradual return of the sun, a day marked by the winter solstice when the Holly is in full bloom. Today, as then, men celebrate winter holidays with decorations of Holly boughs and berries.

Good Planting Time

These Fall days offer a good time to set in Holly plants. You may select from several varieties, some better adapted to certain areas of California than others. But rest assured, says the California Association of Nurserymen, there's a species suited for every locale.

For the hot, dry valleys the Chinese or Horned Holly (I. cornuta) is an excellent selection. Its tough, thick leaves are a dull, slippery dark green, and deeply notched; berries are a bright scarlet. A variety of the Chinese is the Burford (I. cornuta burfordii) without notches on its leaves. This does especially well in Southern California.

The English, Japanese and Penny Hollies are adapted to all areas of the state but especially prefer the foothill area running the length of California. The English (I. aquifolium) is best known form of the Holly. It fairly glistens with its shiny green foliage, pearl white blossoms and bright red berries.

A black-berry form of the Holly, the Japanese (I. crenata) features thick, dark green leaves, oval in shape. The Penny (I. pernyi) bears very small leaves and in the Spring the new tip growth is a glowing red. Fall berries are scarlet. Neither of these varieties, however, are usually available in California.

Berries Important
When you make your Holly selections you will need to check on the berry supply. Some Holly plants have the ability to produce berries themselves. Others need to be planted in pairs, male and female, while some nurserymen offer grafted stock, selected from berry-producing shrubs.

To prepare a planting hole for the Holly, make sure you're working with light soil—or if the soil isn't light make it so with 50 per cent leaf mold, 25 per cent loam and 25 per cent pea gravel. In the hot valleys give the Holly partial shade during the day. When the plant has been set into the ground, mulch with leaf mold, straw or peat moss to protect the top feeder roots from heat and cold and to retain the moisture.

Prepare a water basin around the Holly and water amply during the growing season. To feed, place the fertilizer (lime, manure or commercial fertilizer) on top of the top dressing and water thoroughly. The nutrients will pass through the mulch in the water without harming the roots.

TEA ROSES ADD BEAUTY TO GARDEN

The great advantage of plant in container-grown roses is that you can make your selections from plants that are blooming and thereby know exactly what colors you have. Many of the lovely hybrid teas, climbers and floribundas can be obtained and planted if warm weather prevails in your locale.

Planting container-grown roses is much like planting any other type of container-grown shrub of small tree, says the California Association of Nurserymen. A planting hole should be prepared a little larger than the plant and its roots and surrounding soil; set the plant in this hole, as deep as it was in the container (the soil ring on the trunk will indicate this). Water and feed the plant as it was in the nursery.

Favorites in this favorite of flowers are Charlotte Armstrong, red to Cerise; Helen Traubel, pink to apricot; the Molave, apricot-orange. Stars in the Rose Heaven of recent years are Fire Engine, Roundelay, President Eisenhower and the All-America winners, Jimmy Cricket, Tiffany and Queen Elizabeth.

Especially exciting to rose fanciers will be the new All-America winners, circus, a multicolored floribunda. Other brand new rose varieties are Fanfare, coral orange in color, and Montezuma, scarlet-orange, both of which, along with Circus, were accorded international rose honors.

BROKEN FAMILIES

There were about 1,076,000 families in the U.S. in 1954 which were disrupted by death or divorce.

Four Soloists, Two Accompanists Picked for 'Messiah' on Dec. 4

Four Los Angeles soloists and two local accompanists have been picked for the Dec. 4 presentation of Handel's "Messiah" at the First Lutheran Church, Fred Lincoln, Jr., local manager said recently.

They are Margaret Frances Pearson, soprano soloist at Trinity Methodist Church; Trudy Troy, alto soloist at the First Lutheran Church; and Wayne Anderson and Don Ogren, tenor and bass soloists at St. Paul's Cathedral.

Accompanists will be Marjorie Willacy, organist at the Lomita Presbyterian Church for the past 15 years, and Mrs. Ruth White, organist at the First Lutheran Church of Torrance.

Women, Children May Play In New 'Sacket' Loop Here

Representatives of several local service clubs and fraternal organizations have accepted a proposal to include women and children on "Sacket" teams.

Sponsored by the Torrance Recreation Department, these representatives have been participating in a Wednesday night program at the National Guard Armory to learn the rules of the new sacket game.

Rules will be formed and co-sponsored by the recreation department and the Torrance unit of the National Guard, according to officials of both groups.

Rules will be drafted for each team to include from three to five women and from one to three children between the ages of 10 and 13 years. All interested groups or individuals are invited to bring the family down to the Armory on Wednesday evenings.

No special equipment is needed to play, with the exception of tennis shoes. They should be worn to prevent slipping on the Armory's cement floor.

The game of sacket is similar to softball and also has some of the characteristics of cricket. The playing ball is of very soft sponge rubber, 10 inches in circumference. A flat bat and "a sacket" (netted wicket) as used in cricket, are also employed.

The game is played either indoors or outdoors.

The playing field is triangular in shape and is approximately 50 feet in length. It has a pitcher's box and a sacket, placed behind a 30" x 60" batter's box, which corresponds to home base in softball.

A pitched ball entering the sacket is a strike. It misses the sacket it is a ball, unless swung at. Two strikes are out, three balls comprise a walk and three outs retires a team.

Planners OK Kettler Plan For 40 Lots

Only one tract, containing 40 lots, was recommended for approval by the Torrance Planning Commission Wednesday.

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Held over for further study was the Ambassador Construction Co. proposal for 20 lots in tract 20475 on the West on Ranch property east of Great Rd. Planners wanted further time to study a revised tract map prepared to meet previous objections. The matter will be considered at a special meeting this Wednesday.

The Sepulveda Investment Co. plans for 61 lots in the Meadow Park tract were removed from the agenda, since no recommendation has yet been received from the City Engineering Department. The tract number is 20295.

Sent to committee for study was tract 2224, containing 53 lots, between Gramercy and St. Andrew's Pls., and between 182nd and 186th Sts. It was presented by George Steinkamp.

Planners

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fences, but such sizes are not available.

Change Suggested
H. M. West, of the City Building Department, suggested that the ordinance might be changed to allow for either three or four-foot open-type fences.

Submitted to committee were the following requests for waivers:

Robert Faren, of 1820-22 1/2 Cabrillo Ave., for five foot rear yard garages on the alley.

J. Prime, of 1828 1/2 Cabrillo Ave., for two-family dwelling within five feet of the alley.

Howard S. Miller Co., for garage doors, side yard, rear lot line, and slab clearance on Alondra Apartments, 17575 Yukon Ave.

L. I. Liston, of 17702 Prairie Ave., for permission to build a rumpus room 16 by 100 feet containing two bowling alleys for his own use.

Rose Cutting Lecture Set Next Jan. 7

The seven-acre sunken rose garden in Exposition Park will host its sixth annual pruning demonstration from 1 to 4 p.m. on Saturday, Jan. 7, according to the Los Angeles City Recreation and Park Department and the Pacific Rose Society, co-sponsors.

According to Richard E. Bullard, supervisor of horticulture in the Recreation and Park Department, the municipally-operated rose garden's 1956 pruning event will feature discussions of various rose culture problems by a panel of experts, demonstrations of correct pruning techniques by members of the Exposition Park garden's staff, and the distribution of 2000 free bundles of cuttings from the garden.

Fred W. Walters, new president of the American Rose Society and executive secretary of the Pacific Rose Society, will serve as moderator at a session devoted to the answering of rose-culture questions submitted by those in the audience, Bullard said.

RAIL INCOME

Railroads of the U.S. in 1954 had a net income of about \$878,600,000, representing the smallest net income for any year since fiscal 1949.



FIRST FROSH COUNCIL . . . North High School's first Freshman Council meets with Advisor Willard G. Anderson (standing). Left to right are George Morgan, Boys League representative; April Satterlee, vice president; Mr. Anderson; Danny Ormsby, president; Judy Arnold, secretary; and Joanne Miller, treasurer. Carolyn Wier, Girls League representative, is not pictured.

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